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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs
FROM: *Stensfeldt, Admiral USN, Director of Central Intelligence*
SUBJECT: PRM 10 *(Designate)*

1. I have reviewed the draft terms of reference for PRM 10 distributed on 2 March, and in general concur. The Intelligence Community will give support of PRM 10 its highest priority.

2. In order for this study to be completed within the deadlines established, it will be necessary for the Working Groups to define as precisely as possible the specific supporting work they will require. I therefore urge that they take as their first task the preparation of detailed outlines, before task forces are formed and extensive drafting begins. ←

3. We note that the study is ~~cast in traditional terms of~~ *calls for consideration of the usual range* US/USSR confrontation, in ~~traditional areas~~ *the usual*. It would be useful if the Working Groups would give some of their attention to ways of breaking out of this framework. Otherwise, the final study is likely to produce a range of force postures quite similar to those of previous studies. 20

4. The multiplicity of contingencies (Para. IIB2) may hinder rather than help a net force posture assessment. The second sentence of that paragraph might better be worded: The following kinds of contingencies

In this context, a the
August study (valuable work
was done for NSSM 246 This
should be utilized to the
maximum extent possible
relevant.

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alternative force
strategies

might be considered: (Final selection to be made by Force Posture Working Group). *Also in this*

~~8. In the same paragraph, the presently most worrisome "limited conflict on the flanks of Europe" would be one involving Soviet or Warsaw Pact intervention in Yugoslavia. This might be made explicit, as might~~
be made
~~some reference~~ to China, however low we rate its present threat.

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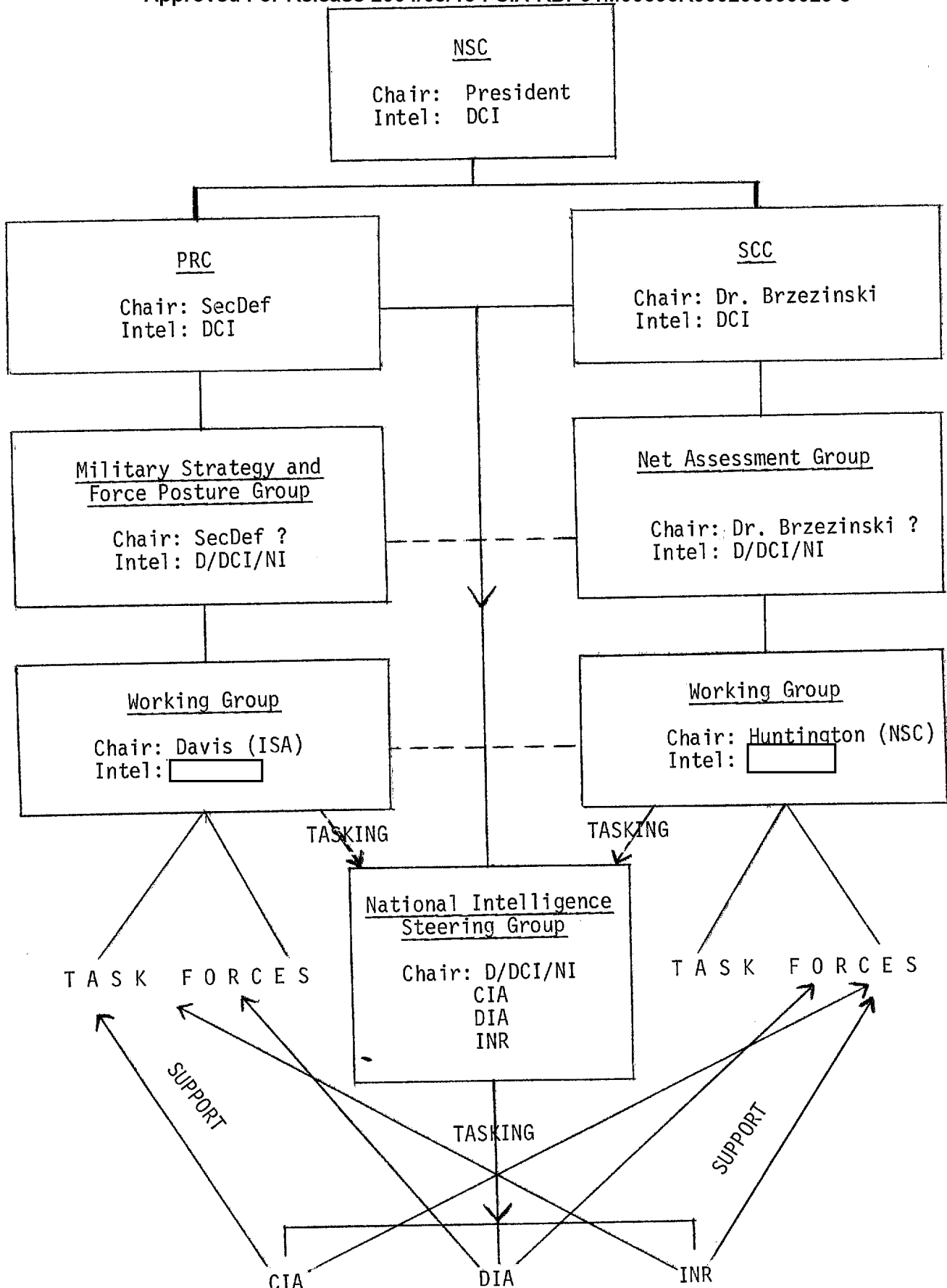
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